



School Closed Friday 16th April Monday 3rd May

Kia ora koutou - Dear Parents and Whanau,

Term 1 definitely has flown by, however we have several things taking place for you to be aware of. There will be **two whole school assemblies this week**. The first assembly will take place on **Wednesday at 1:45pm**. We will be celebrating students' achievements with a wide range of hard-earned certificates, plus enjoying a presentation from Year 3&4 about their Experiencing Marine Reserve exploits and a musical item from several of our budding musicians.

On **Thursday at 10am there will be a farewell assembly** for Amanda Askew and Tania Westren. Both of these wonderful members of staff will be moving on from Parua Bay School at the end of this term. This will be an opportunity for the whole school to acknowledge Amanda and Tania.

FYI there will be a **'naming and blessing' taking place for the new building** on Friday morning, a Teacher Only Day. Due to water and electricity being cut from the buildings on that day, and the CPU inspection (Certificate of Public Use) taking place in the second week of the holidays, we are **not** able to accommodate parents and students at the blessing ceremony. Instead, students will have the opportunity to tour the new building during Tuesday 4th May, at different times, following the Term 2 Pōwhiri. **Parents and whanau will also have the opportunity to tour the new classrooms between 3pm and 5pm during the first week of school**. The 'grand' opening of the school will take place later in the year when the demolition of buildings and car park revamp has taken place. More to follow.

In response to previous questions, the new building will have individual toilet cubicles for students. These are unisex, with their own hand basin and drying facilities. Toilet doors are floor to ceiling. The new building loos are similar to the toilets recently completed in the Swimming Pool buildings, this means there are no separate 'boys' and 'girls' toilets - but all students do have complete privacy with self-contained toilets. Please be aware that the school grounds and buildings will be closed during the holidays due to asbestos removal.

Congratulations to students that participated in the **Northland Lit Quiz competition - Burke, Olivia T, Isabella and Arlo came joint 3rd** amid fierce literary competition. Also a congratulatory note to parents and students who took part in last weekend's **Weet-Bix TRYathlon in Waitangi, Bay of Islands**. Pictured in today's newsletter we also have **Cara, Isabella and Hollie**, our **Year 8 scuba divers**. Please also note, Wednesday's Year 7 caving trip has been moved to Thursday after school, due to Wednesday's weather forecast.

The school holidays are drawing nearer, - we hope that all school families will get the time and space to be able to relax and unwind during the break.

Ngā mihi mahana
Mark Ashcroft

Upcoming dates

Wednesday 14 th April	Assembly 1.45pm
Thursday 15 th April	10-10.45am Farewell Assembly for Amanda Askew – Everyone welcome! End of Term 1
Tuesday 4 th May	Term 2 starts Powhiri 9.15am

Lit Quiz- Well done to our 12 students who attended the Lit Quiz in Kerikeri. Big congratulations to Olivia, Burke, Isabella and Arlo who came joint 3rd.



Scuba Diving



Weet-Bix TRYathlon - Congratulations all our students who took part and came away with an amazing prize for a visit to The Hits Studio.



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Holiday Programme

Short Day 07:30 a.m - 03:30 p.m - \$40.00
Long day 07:30 a.m - 06:00 p.m - \$55.00

<p>Mon 19 Apr</p> <p>Beach Explore:-</p>  <p>Exploring the beach, finding all the cool things we can use to make a giant mosaic, adding daily throughout the holidays - also beach cleanup</p>	<p>Tue 20 Apr</p> <p>Treasure Hunt</p>  <p>Making treasure in small groups, then hide and draw up a map & clues for other teams to find.</p>	<p>Wed 21 Apr</p> <p>Rock pool discovery</p>  <p>See what sea life we come across whilst exploring the shore & rockpools</p>	<p>Thu 22 Apr</p> <p>Sandcastle Competiti</p>  <p>In teams, build to impress the biggest and bestest sandcastle!!</p>	<p>Fri 23 Apr</p> <p>Beach party, cricket</p>  <p>team sport/party games out on the sand, tennis on the courts and ice-cream cones</p>
<p>Mon 26 Apr</p> <p>Anzac day (Closed)</p>  <p>ANZAC DAY WE WILL REMEMBER THEM</p>	<p>Tue 27 Apr</p> <p>Camp building</p>  <p>Who can find the best resources to build a camp. Make Kebabs from scratch and roast them on the fire (BBQ)</p>	<p>Wed 28 Apr</p> <p>Bird spying:- lookin</p>  <p>Take a walk through the bush to see what we can spy. Pass the water - who can survive this challenge</p>	<p>Thu 29 Apr</p> <p>Making Bread - watch</p>  <p>Making & baking fresh pizza bread from scratch sand art jars</p>	<p>Fri 30 Apr</p> <p>Last day of Camp ski</p>  <p>Camp fire stories & games, finishing up mosaic to take back to school, toasted marshmallows and milk</p>

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TUESDAY & THURSDAYS
20, 22, 27, 29TH APRIL
12:00 - 4:00PM

Contact: hannah@fantasticgymnastics.co.nz




AUTUMN ACTIVITIES SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT KIWI NORTH 19-30 APRIL

Enjoy history & conservation based activities this school holidays

KIWI FEEDING - 10am, 1pm and 3pm daily

TUATARA ENCOUNTERS - Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am

DRAWING OUR HERITAGE - 10am, 1pm and 3pm daily

PARK RIDES - 10am, 1pm and 3pm daily

Activities with our Educator - Tues 27 - Fri 30 April from 10am



A 90MIN SCHOOL LESSON - All Rooms from School, Pk & Oursave writing & dress up

GET CREATIVE - Weaving, rock mosaic and more

OLD FASHIONED TOYS - Bored & a little more

LOUNGING LIZARDS WORKSHOP - 28th Apr.

OPEN 10AM-4PM 7 DAYS
DATE 1 - 30 APRIL, MAUNU
NORTH WWW.KIWINORTH.CO.NZ

PREDATOR FREE WHANGĀREI Community Info Session



Come along to meet the team and find out more about the proposed possum eradication in the Whangarei Heads area.

Wednesday 21st April:
Drop in any time between 5.30pm and 7.30pm.
McLeod Bay Hall

For more information visit: www.nrc.govt.nz/pwhangarei or email pwhangarei@nrc.govt.nz

Sarah Sharpe - Unpacking Neurodiversity & Dyslexia for Parents.

Tickets limited - First in First Served - Parents need to Advance Book!

UNPACKING NEURODIVERSITY & DYSLEXIA FOR PARENTS

NEURODIVERSITY
It takes all kinds of different minds

Dyslexia | ADHD | Dyspraxia | Autism

Wednesday 5th May 2021
7-9:30 pm @ Ministry of Education Seminar Rooms
Spaces Limited!
Park on 24 Kaka St for access.
Individual \$20
Couple \$35

Register at <https://tinynurl.com/sarahsharpe2021>

In Partnership with **Dyslexia PLUS**
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Sarah Sharpe will take parents through a range of aspects covering:

- What is neurodiversity, including dyslexia.
- Take a walk in the shoes of your learner, including their strengths and weaknesses, while at school and beyond.
- Learn about resources and strategies to support your learner emotionally now, both at home and school.

Sarah has worked to support students who learn differently for 15 years. She is known nationally for successfully establishing neurodiverse teaching practices at Kāpiti College. Sarah is an advocate for students with dyslexia, dyscalculia, dyspraxia and dysgraphia both in schools around NZ and with the government.